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Sexually Transmitted Disease Interview and Intervention Course for 4E's



Our U.S. Army partners invite us to participate in their two-week course for STD and other Communicable Disease Interview and Education Course, held throughout the year at the U.S. Army School of Health Care Sciences at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.

I feel this excellent course **should be attended by every 4E**. It prepares the student to conduct interviews with patients suffering communicable diseases. The students learn techniques for bringing potentially infected contacts to treatment and techniques for influencing risk-taking behavior through one on one education. Background information about selected communicable diseases and the diagnostics used to evaluate patients are also covered.

This course is prevention.

Prospective students must complete a US Army correspondence course (MED 055) on STDs prior to attending. Enroll now by calling DSN 471-5877.

Both the resident and correspondence course are very well done. I've attended the CDC and US Army version and can attest to the excellent quality and similarity. I can't imagine doing a patient interview without the skills I learned from these courses.

Your attendance at this course must be **funded by your unit**. It is money well spent.

A limited number of quotas are made available to the USAF. These quotas are distributed by HQ AETC/SG to the MAJCOMs, who then make them available to you. **Last I heard, there were still 2 seats open for March 97.**

FY98 Class Dates are:

- class 98011, 08 Dec - 19 Dec 97
- class 98012, 26 Jan - 06 Feb 98
- class 98013, 23 Feb - 06 Mar 98
- class 98014, 16 Mar - 27 Mar 98
- class 98015, 20 Apr - 01 May 98
- class 98106, 11 May - 22 May 98

⇒ Call your MAJCOM for unfunded quotas!
⇒ MAJCOMs need more quotas? Ask our POC, SSgt McCain, at HQ AETC/SGAW.
Unused seats may be available!



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